

3. Mr. Marceca's Testimony That No Senior White House Official Was Involved in Requesting Background Reports was True.

Mr. Marceca testified that no one ever told him to look for derogatory information for any purpose other than to carry out his responsibilities at OPS. That testimony is consistent with other testimony and physical evidence that there was no involvement by senior White House staff or Mrs. Clinton to obtain such information for partisan political purposes. Although there is evidence that White House officials failed to appreciate sufficiently the importance of OPS and its role in handling sensitive material, there is no evidence of the involvement of any senior White House official or First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, in the request for the background reports of hundreds of former White House staff.

VIII. SUMMARY CONCLUSION

The FBI Files matter represented a failure of process at many levels. The Secret Service provided critical erroneous information that confused the issue and caused Congress and the public to leap to some understandable but ultimately unsupportable conclusions. Mr. Marceca maintained that he had blindly relied upon a list provided by the Secret Service that did not distinguish between active and inactive passholders and that he therefore assumed that everyone on the list was authorized for access to the White House. He was right. The